

## THE LITTLES

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Rep. Thomas Stevens  
Chair House General & Housing Committee

Dear Rep. Thomas Stevens and committee ,

Our family has a small rental housing business consisting of 3 properties . We have always done our best to keep costs down to keep prices affordable for our tenants. We have accomplished this by utilizing family to do repairs and maintenance that does not require licensure.

Our current tenants are all typical hard working Vermonters that do not qualify for any assistance from the state of Vt. The last year has brought large financial increases to our budget due to inflation . We took a portion upon our shoulders but had to pass on the rest as fairly substantial rent increases.

We have now been informed of a new bill that passed that will require us to add insurance to ourselves to repair some peeling paint on our buildings. we are not painters or contractors by trade profiting by work on homes of the general public. We are simply homeowners taking care of our investment property.

We completely agree with education and training at a reasonable cost , but disagree with the requirement of contractor insurance.

Therefore we urge you to pass H. 184 to prevent further financial burden on small business that will ultimately increase rents for hard working Vermonters.

Sincerely,  
Brian and Trina Little

Signature

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